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White Amur To End Hydrilla Overgrowth

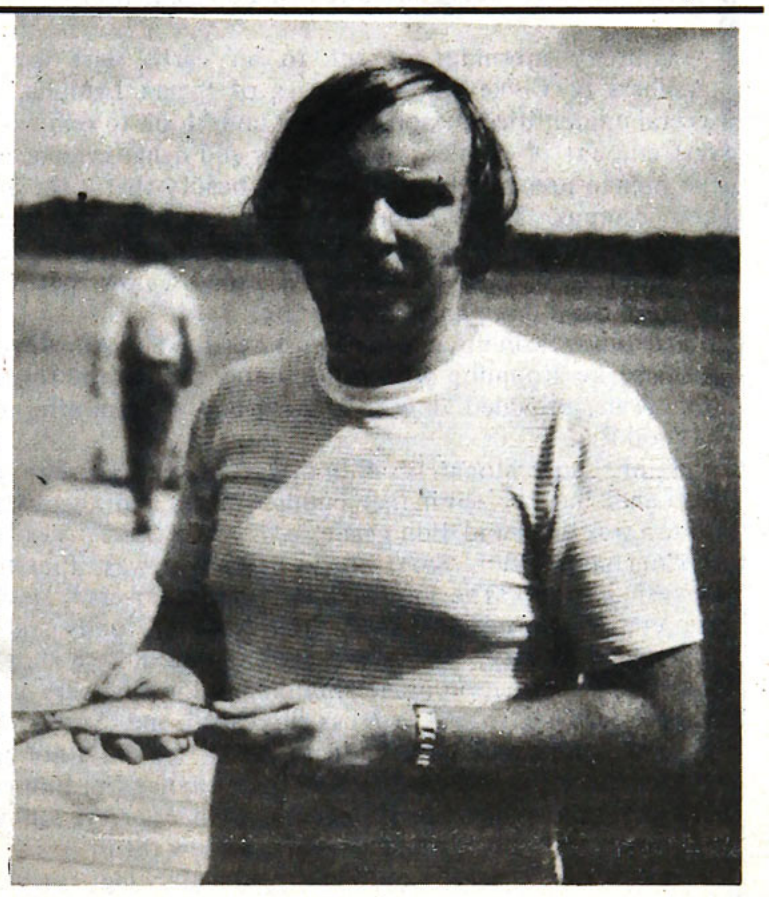
The Department of Natural Resources has finally taken action to combat the overgrowth of hydrilla in Lake Jovita. Last Wednesday 3,180 Amur fishes (20 fishes per acre) were released into the 156 acre hydrilla infested waters of Lake Jovita. The Amur fish is of Russian descent and is a vegetarian.

The introduction of the Amur fishes is part of an experimental project involving eight lakes in Florida. The cost of the project is $425,000. Lake Jovita is an average size lake under experiment. The project is designed to cut back the hydrilla in lakes where its encroachment has curtailed fishing, swimming, and sailing.

It is projected that after the first year of the Amur's presence in the lake, no further encroachment will occur. During the second year of the fish's presence there should be a slight cut back and during the third year the hydrilla is expected to be cut back 80 to 90 per cent. At this point it is expected that the fish will be able to maintain control of the hydrilla.

Initial experiments with the Amur were performed at the University of Florida. The fish were artificially propagated by hormone injections, as the amur is a native of fresh water streams where spawning occurs. The fish cannot naturally propagate in fresh water lakes. The average size of the fish set here in Florida was one ounce according to Monnie Beach, the project coordinator. These fish will be easy prey for the large mouth bass existing in most of the lakes where the Amur were set free. The average size of the Amur at full maturity is between 50 and 60 pounds. Some have been recorded as big as 110 pounds. Monnie Beach stated the present stock in Lake Jovita will be reduced by 25 per cent in the first year and that the Department of Natural Resources will probably supplement this stocking with some one pound fishes next year.

Throughout the experiments performed at the University of Florida, no adverse side effects were recognized by the introduction of this foreign fish, Monnie Beach said.



Monnie Beach, project coordinator State of Florida Department of Natural Resources, holding one of over 3,000 White Amur that were placed in Lake Jovita last weekend.

Southard's Trip Deemed Fruitful

by Liz Shonter

Last week Saint Leo students may have noticed the absence of the college president, Dr. Southard. Dr. Southard was away on a multi-purpose visit to different parts of California.

His visit began in San Francisco, where he met with presidents and members of the staff of Golden Gate University. Golden Gate University is renowned for its extensive off-campus operations. Dr. Southard was looking at the organizational structure of the University's programs, in hopes of opening up new areas for Saint Leo's many off-campus programs.

While in San Francisco, Dr. Southard visited Mrs. Weber, the trustee of the Arleton Trust. His hopes were to establish relations between Saint Leo College and the Arleton Trust, and he remarked that he was well received by Mrs. Weber.

Dr. Southard was also able to visit Mr. and Mrs. Howard Korth of Piedmont, California. The Korths have wholeheartedly supported Saint Leo College and have been invited to visit the college when they are in Florida later in the year.

Dr. Thomas B. Southard President

Finished with his visits in northern California, Dr. Southard flew down to the Los Angeles area where he visited Chapman College in Arange, California, and met with administrators there to discuss off-campus programs. The visit was a fruitful one, as he was given much material on programs which might benefit Saint Leo College.

Dr. Southard discussed the idea of a consortium with both Golden Gate University and Chapman College. This would allow students who were transferred to an area where a Saint Leo program wasn't in effect to take courses in one of these other programs and receive credit for it from Saint Leo College.

Dr. Southard then wrapped up his trip by going to the American Council of Educators Conference in San Diego. This conference concerned itself with educational alternatives in the 70's and Dr. Southard believed it to be consistent with his other endeavors in California.

Even though he was only back on campus a few days, Dr. Southard left Friday the 18th of October for Chicago, where he will appear on a talk show concerning higher education. While in Chicago, he will visit a member of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Gilberto Garcia who, along with Mrs. Garcia, will sponsor a reception on Sunday for approximately 100 friends of Saint Leo. Dr. and Mrs. Southard will return to Florida on Monday.

Dr. Southard's plans indicate he will be quite busy with travel in the near future. Along with his other activities, he will present "lions" to members of the Pride of Saint Leo group. He commented that, although he enjoys traveling, he would much rather be on campus with the students.

CLEP TESTS TO BE GIVEN

The College Level Examinations will be given Saturday, November 9. There will be five general exams: English Composition, Mathematics, Humanities, Social Science - History, and Natural Science. Upon successful completion of these tests, a student can earn up to 30 credit hours. The costs of these tests are $15 for one exam, and $30 for two or more. Anyone interested in the CLEP exams should register in the records office before October 31.

Announcement

IRVING GOFFMAN

chairman economics dept. of U. of Florida

TONIGHT 7:30 SELBY

mr. goffman will speak on inflation and the economics of marijuana.

Editorial

Last Weekend

New Sprit In Action

Last weekend was something else!

Things got off to a great start with a three to zip win for the soccer team over Florida Southern. Back on campus that night funds were being raised to buy Leo some beef.

Saturday morning got off to an early start for the members of Circle K, the pledges of Sigma Lambda, and several unidentified persons, as they undertook to remove the vast amount of bottles, cans, papers and other evidences of the human presence from the natural beauty that is the Saint Leo campus. Joint efforts like this are to be highly commended and the community at large can demonstrate its appreciation by not re-littering the campus, now that it has been returned to an uncluttered state.

After the clean-up, it was down 52 to the San Ann Jaycees Rattlesnake Roundup which, in holding true to the form of past years, provided an even larger group with an afternoon of good fun.

Saint Leo's Monarchs didn't win on the gridiron this weekend, but the spirit that builds winners and keeps them on top was there and didn't fade.

Concluding our Saint Leo Saturday was the final performance of "The Last of the Red Hot Lovers." Despite the continuing handicaps of a shortage of funds and an inadequate facility, the show went on, and quite a show at that. The combination of Neil Simon and the members of the Saint Leo Theatre was a most successful one. Surely, had there been an angel in the audience, he or she could not have helped but appreciate what a fine performance Jim Filippelli and the girls rendered. Hopefully, such appreciation will transform itself into a tangibile entity (a new theatre).

Sunday was quiet and beautiful, allowing for calm reflection on the future.

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Fear of the Future — What Is to Blame?

By Jerry Mulligan

During the last 20 years, America's culture has progressed at a speed that is frightening. The technological advances of our society in the last 10 years cannot compare to the advances made by man in the last 10,000.

Many inventions are being avoided for fear that, in Alvin Toffler's words, man will lapse into a cultural shock.

Many signs support the theory that man fears change in 1974. For example, the book burnings taking place in North Carolina and West Virginia. The people are afraid of the words of change. In Boston, people against busing are rioting in the streets, not because they fear the other races, but because they fear the future.

Man is finding it more difficult to accept new change, for fear that his ideas will fall to the past. For fear that he will be considered a useless individual in society's eyes.

Man fears change because with our progressive technology his services will not be needed. He will become obsolete and will soon be considered a burden.

Whose fault is it when a man turns to the past for the answers?

At the present time we are going through a period referred to as the "Nostalgic Era." In films, fashion, and thought, we are turning to the past. Is this because those were "the good ole days"? Were the times so great in the 1930's? Did we have it so good in the 40's? Or, is the reason man now looks to the past for answers, because he is afraid of the future? Because he is afraid of what is around the corner? Because he is afraid of 1984?

Whose fault is it? Can we pinpoint one major area that causes fear of the future? Many say no. The fault is that of human nature. I say this is wrong. There is one major criminal that is destroying man's ability to cope with our changing technology. That criminal is our educational institution.

The educational system in America (although far better than most systems in the world) still looks to the past for the solutions to the problems of the future. The institution of education should help broaden man's imagination and help him cope with onrushing future. Instead, education demands respect for the past. It stifles thought on the basis of discipline.

Is our educational system dead? It is not interested in educating for the future. It is only interested in socializing for the present. By the time we finish 16 years of studying the present, we are part of the past.

Our educational system controls our thoughts by its methods, so that we become useful tools of society. We are barely made aware of the present, and, already, the future is crushing us.

We must progress towards methods that will stimulate thought. We use only a small percentage of our brains. We must seek the key to unlock the remainder of our intelligence.

We can look to the past for examples of human behavior, but not for the answers to our progressing problems. We must stimulate new thought and forget about discipline, the worship of the past.

Once man desocializes the thinking process, he can become aware of his problems, and, only then, will he be able to deal with those problems.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear John Gallagher,

In response to your recent article on the behavior of some freshmen: I would first of all ask that when you plan on attacking some people, have the courage to state their names. Whether the damage is done by freshmen or seniors, their names should be mentioned. When you affiliate the word freshman without identifying certain people, you brand freshmen with the accusations made. I don't care whether you say minority or majority, because 49 per cent is a minority and some people will believe that this many are bad.

I realize that every class has their rowdies and then just a few. So, why pick on freshmen? From now on, when you think someone is getting loud and they happen to be bigger than you, go to a higher authority, but don't make the freshmen look like fools in the eyes of the reader.

Your fellow freshman,

Richard Daniels (President of the Freshman Class)

CAMPUS SUGGESTIONS

Goldfish for the fountain outside the library.

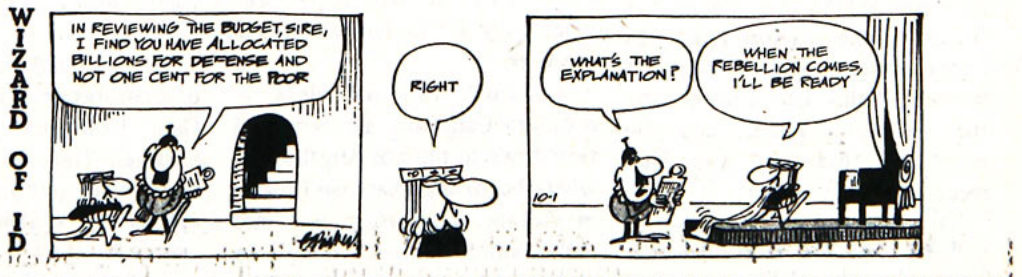
For the Gym – 100 lb. block of ice and 10 fans to supplement air conditioning of Gym.

For the Infirmary – 10 year supply of all purpose vitamins.

Semester's supply of matches for the firebugs in Lee Marvin.

Petrified wood for the Karate class.

From Kevin



Resource and Recovery Program Back In Operation

The Resource and Recovery Program is once again underway, collecting and recycling glass, cans and paper consumed in the Saint Leo Community.

After a few initial setbacks, the vigorous volunteers are once again picking through garbage cans seeking recyclable materials.

The volunteers have once again set their goals high, seeking to recover all materials in the community that can be recovered and used again.

This goal includes setting up miniature recovery centers at all resident halls, cafeteria and, most important, the College operated bar ("Cage").

According to Richard Mente, R & R worker, the Cage wastes hundreds of dollars a year in recyclable materials by dumping all the cans and bottles of beer consumed by students. He wants students to become aware of the fact that when these materials are sent to the dump and not recovered for use, the price of beer goes up.

After the Resource and Recovery volunteers collect each week, they will be trudging to Tampa with these materials and will sell them to the various distributors of crushed glass, flattened cans and old papers. Not only do they perform a community service by keeping the environment clean, they also help keep inflation down by returning these natural resources for re-use.

According to Barbara Berger, the coordinator of Resource and Recovery, the main problem that the program faces is the lack of barrels for collection and the desperate need for some sort of truck to collect the recyclable materials and take them to Tampa.

Brother John-Mark of Plant Operations is trying to work out a system with Dr. Southard whereby the Ecology Program could use a College truck.

If any person, or persons, would like to volunteer their services or equipment, please contact Barbara Berger at extension 218, or Gerard Mulligan at extension 220.

All students, faculty and residents of the area are also urged to save all cans, glass and paper and drop them off at the nearest R & R center.

First In A Series

Planning Process Committee Organized

by Liz Shonter

The Planning Process Committee, formed by Mr. James Kingsley of the board of Trustees, has as its purpose to establish ways to deal with problems expected to face the College Community. This committee consists of the divisional chairpersons, as well as the President and Vice President of the college, the directors of other services within the college, and two student representatives.

The committee has been meeting since September 1973, in an attempt to discern future situations the college will face and how to deal with them. To do this the committee follows an involved procedure which requires much research and thought.

The committee first dealt with current beliefs of the college, and with the need to establish a Statement of Purpose of Saint Leo College. The committee's next step was to determine matters of policy; however, this has been delayed until a future meeting.

The committee went on to the fourth step, situation analysis. This was a study of Key Result Areas (KRA), and was tackled from many sides. Some KRA's the committee discussed and researched were alumni success, attrition rate, comparative strength in recruiting, and financial health. The committee also researched student sentiment, student achievement, the quality of programs and courses, and faculty morale.

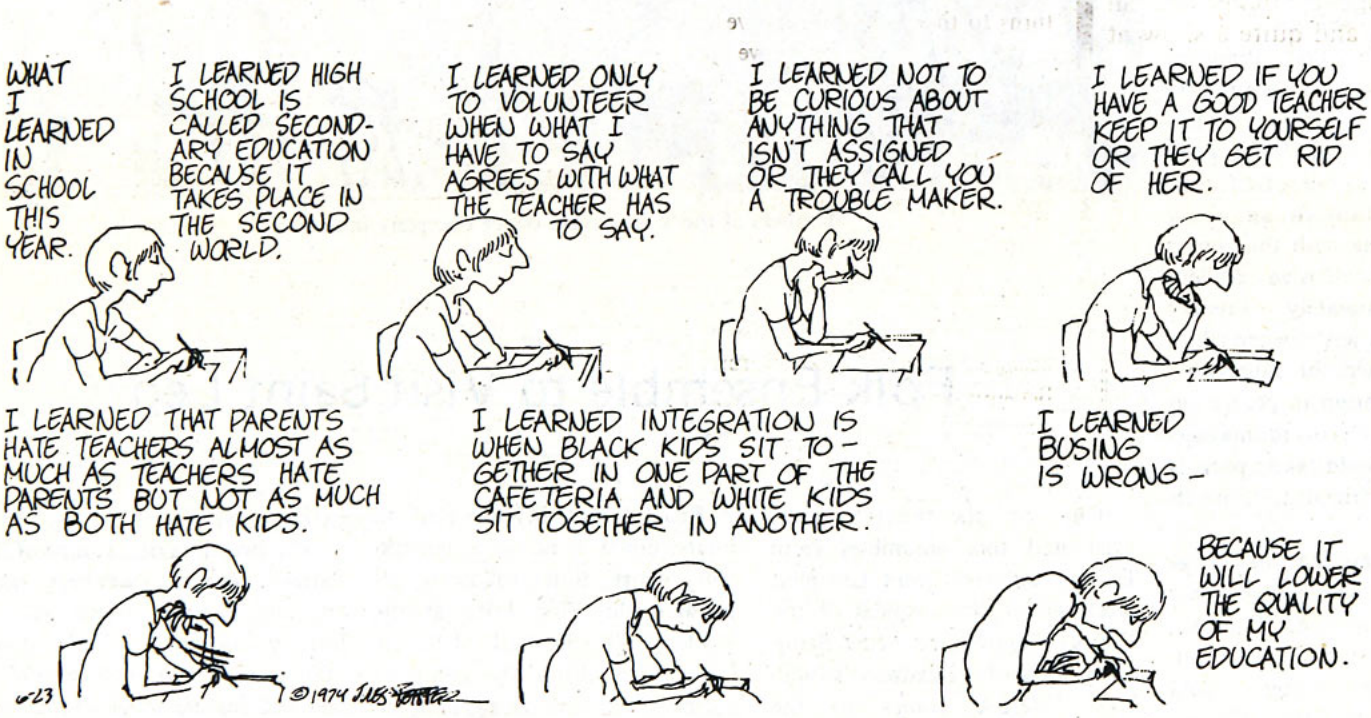
The committee then went on to the next step, assumptions. This area must be reviewed frequently to keep up to date. Certain governmental, social, technological and competitive ideas were framed by the committee in its discussion of assumptions.

The sixth step in the process was to establish what are some problems and weaknesses of the college community. This was followed by the establishment of a list of strengths and opportunities. These two were followed by the formulation of objectives, the step with which the committee is now involved.

When the committee has completed this step, it will focus on strategies and programs as a means of attaining those objectives which it has stated. The next step will be a financial summary, followed by a review of organizational structure. The committee will then cite position descriptions and try to account for standards of performance. It will then look at controls, and will finish up by reevaluating and replanning.

The work is far from being finished, and will be resumed when the committee reconvenes in the near future. As it is now, the committee meets a few days each semester for full day sessions.

The ideas which haev been established thus far by the committee are only projections, and as such are subject to change. But they have revealed much hard work and thoughtfulness. Considering this, the Planning Process Committee can be seen as one area of the College Community where people are working hard – overtime – for the future good of the College.



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SGA Approves Ecology

The Student Government Association Senate last week approved a $100 grant for the ecology program. An itemized request for aid was presented to the Senate last week after a veto two weeks ago by the SGA Executive Board. The board had vetoed an original grant of $150 because, according to SGA President Jim Loiacono, the board was unclear as to how the money would be spent.

The Senate also approved the allocation of $275 for a lecture group. The group includes Ralph and Judy Bloom, authors of "Beyond Earth: Man's Contact With UFO's"; psychic LeRoy Zempke and noted parapsychologist, Evelyn Monahan. The lecture is free to all students and will be held at the Marion Bowman Activities Center on November 4 at 7:30 p.m.

A motion was also approved to buy three kegs of beer for dispersal free of charge at last Friday's Pep Rally preceding the game with Westchester Saturday.

A full report will be issued to the Senate by food committe chairman Bill Thompson at today's meeting on the deli survey taken last week to determine what cold cuts male students would like to buy, should the cafeteria service be able to set up a deli operation.

Freebee

By Joe Grund

Throughout the school year several dogs come and go on the Saint Leo College campus, but one dog in particular seems to have found the atmosphere very pleasant. I call her Freebee for several reasons, the most important being that she doesn't pay tuition, nor does she find food and friends costly.

Our four legged female has the characteristics of most average dogs. She has floppy ears, a long snout and a tail. But there is something different about Freebee. Yes, it's very unusual. She's an intellectual, not on an academic level, but more on an administrative level. This doesn't really make her a genuine intellectual but nevertheless she's uncanny and effective, which warrants her intellectual recognition at Saint Leo College.

It seems to me that Freebee is vying for either Vice President of Academic Affairs or of Public Relations. Her favorite spot on campus is in front of the President's office where she patiently awaits her promotion, while catching a few rays. Rumor has it that both positions will soon be vacant. I believe that the trustees want to make the transition as unnoticeable as possible. This is why Freebee spends so much time getting to know the secretaries.

Now you may question the abilities of Freebee, but her qualifications more than exceed those required for either position. Her bark is worse than her bite and in the respect the Department of Academic Affairs would remain unchanged. But when this MONARCH reporter interviewed Freebee, she conveyed the fact that this department was not as appealing to her. Freebee said she had her eye on Public Relations.

This department best suits her personality. Only shake her paw and she immediately rolls over for you to pat her belly. I feel that the college could greatly benefit by her amicable abilities.

But, until the President returns, Freebee will continue to participate in the school's functions. She's an avid church goer, you know. Yes, one often hears her howling through an abbey window in tune with the chorus and some say she has an excellent voice. Unfortunately, Freebee cannot take in any concerts but, according to her, the supervision of the organization in charge has been under such gross mismanagement that it would take a pack of her hound dog friends to revive its effectiveness.

I firmly believe that the college would greatly benefit by her administrative services. For one, her needs are not extravagant and, therefore, the college could substantially reduce the salary for the "position" and, thereby, increase the football funds. Another benefit would be the improved relationships among administrators, faculty members, and students. Freebee knows all these people. But, most importantly, I firmly believe that Freebee could significantly reduce the dog-eat-dog attitude of the administration.

The Three Dog Night Reviewed

by John Gallagher

Last Wednesday night's Three Dog Night concert in the St. Petersburg Bayfront Center proved to be entertaining, despite several shortcomings. The Bayfront sound system was scratchy and, at times, the music proved to be somewhat inaudible. Nonetheless, the crowd of mostly young teenagers was swept away by such renditions as "Liar," "One," "Shambala," "Black and White," "Joy to the World," and "Must Let the Show Go On." Three Dog Night did a mock Fifties bit that brought laughs and screams from the crowd of 6,000. During the three costume changes the audience was forced to sit through the long and boring drum and organ solos. At one point, dry ice fog was released from the stage. It provided fascination for the young kids who packed the front row seats. The Earl Scruggs Revue preceded Three Dog Night. Scruggs and his sons captured applause from only a few. It was obvious that the crowd was there to see Three Dog Night.

Members of the Yugoslavian dance company in action.

Folk Ensemble to Visit Saint Leo

One of the world's most celebrated folk ensembles from Europe will visit Saint Leo next week under the auspices of the College Community Artist Series when Dragoslav Dzadzevic's fabulous FRULA comes to the Activities Center on campus to perform on Saturday, October 26, at 8:15 p.m. in the course of the company's three-month cross–country tour.

FRULA has sky-rocketed to international fame in a remarkably short time following its winning the First Prize at the World Folk Festival, held in Moscow in 1968. The company presents a breath-taking program of Eastern European Folklore and court dances, dating back to medieval times, in its all-new 1974 performance, which is acclaimed as explosive, fast-moving and extraordinary.

The breath-taking troupe of 36 fantastic dancers, acrobats, singers, and instrumentalists will be lavishly costumed in more than 700 costumes in their wardrobe and will feature songs and dances from all provinces and regions within Yugoslavia's six republics.

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My Philosophy of Education

" Education Is Practical"

By Larry Foster MSW

Education is a growth process wherein one discovers and develops a sense of life. As such, it is diverse, having an environment planned to favor creativity.

Education is also practical in that it prepares one to live and work, and at the same time stimulates a cultural awareness and cultivates a sense of the past. As such, it is relevant.

Finally, Christian higher education is mutual learning where there is diversity of thought and practice. As such, it is the principle of love translated into life's work.

In parting, an educational system which allows for creativity and provides relevant content in the context of cooperation is one that is characterized with "self–sustaining growth."

Such growth requires the mutual involvement of all component members of the educational system – faculty, students, staff, and administration alike . . . In order for a system to grow and progress as a system, it must work and stay together as a system.

Moving together as a system, wherein the needs and interests of all component members are attended to, may be more than difficult during times of impending economic dislocation, a condition facing numerous colleges across the nation. And, as long as the economic problems remain, it would no doubt be irresponsible to give exclusive attention to aesthetic problems.

Still, we should give at least some attention to these latter problems even now, so that we do not lose sight of the ultimate goal or our reason for existence.

Our greatest challenge is to exercise foresight lest our economic problems result in goal displacement. Our number one problem appears to be economics to some, and to others it is enriching the quality of the educational experience. To do the latter in times of economic distress requires creativity, relevancy, and cooperation on the part of all in the educational system.

How Saint Leo's Judicial System Works

by Bob Borgatti

Saint Leo College administers its justice on two different levels. The lowest level consists of the Men's Judicial Board for the men and the AWS Court for the women students.

The Men's Judicial Board is made up of ten members representing all four classes. The president of the board this year is Walter Cermack. The board takes care of all cases that can be handled by giving out a written or oral warning. Such violations would be for first offenses for alcoholic beverages or visitation violations. The board is under the Dean of Men's jurisdiction.

The Campus Court is the highest court on campus. This court derives its power from the Vice President for Student Affairs, Mr. O'Gorman. The court is made up of two judges and one alternate from each class. Also serving on the court is one member and one alternate from the faculty and one member of the administrative staff. Dr. Reardon and Mr. John Hall are the faculty representatives and Mr. Griffith is the administrative staff representative. The president of the court has yet to be elected.

The Campus Court, more than any other organization on campus, has the power to affect individuals, for it has the power to put a student on probation, suspend or dismiss him. Probation is "a written notice that within a stated period of time may result in suspension or dismissal. Probation cannot be for more than one academic year. Suspension is dismissal from the school for not less than one semester nor more than one academic year. Dismissal is the "permanent termination of student status with this College. The President of the College must approve all dismissal actions before they are implemented."

A decision from the Men's Judicial Board or the Campus Court may be appealed. The Judicial Board can be appealed to the Campus Court and the Campus Court to the President of the College.

All of this information and more can be found in the Student Handbook. If for any reason you find yourself in front of any of these governing bodies, be sure to familiarize yourself with the rules and how they can affect you.

Organizations Join In Campus Clean-Up

Bob Litus a Sigma Lambda pledge joins in Circle K sponsored Campus Clean-up last weekend.

Survey on June Session

On November 4 and 5, students will be completing an in-class survey concerning the proposal of a June session, to be conducted on a plan similar to that of the May session. This survey is being conducted to give students the opportunity to show their interest in such a session and to indicate their academic preferences.

Last year such a June session was proposed by Continuing Education; however, the session failed to materialize due to low enrollment. The purpose of this survey is to establish whether or not students would take advantage of these sessions. If the program is highly favored by students, it will be drawn up for presentation to the Academic Council with the hope that students can plan their summer accordingly.

The survey is being conducted by Mr. Dave Griffith, the Director of Continuing Education, and the Academic Affairs Committee of the SGA. Student candidness is urged, as accurate information is vital to the establishment of the program. This is an opportunity for students to take part in the formation of a curriculum, and student opinion is needed.

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NATIONAL NEWS NOTES

By John Gallagher

ROCKEFELLER OWES $820,718 IN TAXES

Vice presidential nominee Nelson Rockefeller announced that he would pay $820,718 in additional federal income tax because the IRS wouldn't allow major deductions for some of the charitable contributions, business expenses, and the repayment of a loan to a Venezuelan bank. Rockefeller also disclosed that he had given nearly $25 million in gifts to charitable, tax exempt, and educational organizations since 1957.

FORD TESTIFIES BEFORE CONGRESS

President Ford went before a Congressional subcommittee last Thursday to reassure the American people that his pardon of former president Nixon was not a deal to bring him into the presidency. When Rep. Elizabeth Holtzman (D-NY) told him that there remain very dark suspicions about the pardon, Ford responded, "I want to assure you, the members of Congress and the American people, that there was no deal, period, under no circumstances." The president said he pardoned Nixon to bring attention to other needs, which he felt more important.

NATIONAL GUARD MOBILIZED IN BOSTON

Gov. Francis Sargent mobilized 450 Massachusetts National Guard troops last Wednesday to insure safety in Boston. Seven students and a teacher were injured in a racial skirmish at Hyde Park High School, 23 days after the court-ordered school desegregation. Sargent asked President Ford to send federal troops into the area to quell disturbances. Later, Ford issued a statement saying that federal troops "should only be used as a last resort."

GALLOP POLL: 70% PESSIMISTIC

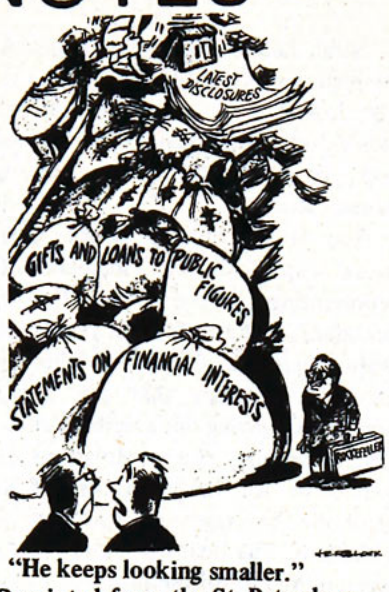
A recent Gallop poll shows that 7 in 10 believe the economic situation will worsen in the next six months. 51% believe that America is heading towards a depression like that of the 1930s. Earlier this month Ford stated, "I do not think the United States is in a recession."

JAWORSKI SAYS NIXON WILL BE FOUND GUILTY

Watergate Prosecutor Leon Jaworski said of Nixon, "The evidence will show he's guilty, just as much as a guilty plea."

DEMOS HOLD MAJORITY

Two more weeks are left until the Nov. 5th general election, and at this time the Democrats hold the majority of elected seats. Democrats hold 58 of 100 Senate seats, 248 of the 535 House seats, and 32 of the 50 governorships.



"He keeps looking smaller." Reprinted from the St. Petersburg Times

RACISM IS A NATIONAL INFLICTION

commentary

by John Gallagher

It has been nearly a month since a federal court judge ordered Boston to desegrate its public schools. Since that time many students and teachers have been injured during racial conflicts that have occurred. Several children have been stabbed and beaten by children similar to themselves, but of a different color. Last Thursday the governor of Massachusetts mobilized the National Guard. (Keep in mind that Boston is a northern city and northern citizens are famous for blaming racism on the South.) Last week's incident served to prove that racism is a national affliction, barring no particular area. The only way to wipe it out is to start with this generation's children. Public schools must be desegregated, unpleasant as it at first may be. These young children will mature alongside other children with different skin and hopefully reject the prejudices of their parents. We are all on this earth together and it is in this manner that we should live.

How Ford's 5% Tax Surcharge Works

Charles Adolp Fisk

In response to Mr. Gallagher's commentary concerning President Ford's request for a surcharge on family incomes above $15,000 (Monarch, Oct. 17), some clarification may be desirable before drawing any conclusions regarding the equity of the proposal.

Although stated in terms of gross income, the base to be used for calculating the surtax will, in effect, be a taxable income of $10,000 for families or $5,450 for individuals. Without becoming technical, taxable income is derived by subtracting various expenses, deductions and exemptions from gross income. Therefore, a family of four earning $15,000 would at most have a taxable income of $10,000. Because personal income taxes are computed from taxable income, this is the relevant figure needed for determining the effect of the surtax on various income levels. Conceptually, the surtax is a TAX LEVIED AGAINST THE TAX which is paid on a given amount of dollar income. If a family earns $25,000 gross income, I suspect that popular conceptions are either 1) that 5 per cent of the $25,000 ($1,250) would be the additional tax, or 2) that 5 per cent of the increment above the base (5 per cent of $10,000 or $500) would be the additional tax liability. Neither are correct. Let's look at a specific example to see exactly how the surtax would be applied.

Suppose a family earns $20,000 gross income, has two children and takes the standard deduction rather than itemizing. The taxable income would be $15,000 and is found by taking gross income ($20,000) and subtracting the standard deduction ($2,000) and four exemptions (4 x $750 or $3,000). Against the first $10,000 of taxable income – which is exempt from the surtax – taxes paid would be $1,820. Taxes against the $5,000 of income above the base – and therefore subject to the surtax – would be $1,190. The 5 per cent surtax is then levied against this last amount and would come to $59.50 for this family (.05 x $1,190). This is the MAXIMUM surtax this family would pay. It could be less, depending upon the particular circumstances of each case. The amount of the surtax is probably a good bit less than most people would presume. For the surtax to increase the taxes for a family of four by as much as $500, that family would have to have a gross income of approximately $50,000.

If Mr. Gallagher concludes that the extra $59.50 is "grossly unfair" to this "struggling" $20,000 a year family of four and is "pulling the middle class towards the poverty level" as it "turns the American dream into a nightmare," this is his prerogative. He does feel the surtax would be "fair" if the gross income base were adjusted up to $30,000.

Importantly, the data presented here does not refute Mr. Gallagher's conclusions concerning the equity or fairness of the surtax proposal. What is fair or equitable depends upon one's perception of the issue in terms of his own values. However, you should carefully obtain the RELEVANT factual information and then, utilizing your own value judgments, form your own conclusions.

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ECONOMIC GAP BETWEEN BLACK AND WHITE FAMILIES WIDENING

WASHINGTON, D.C. (LNS) – The U.S. Census Bureau recently released statistics indicating a widening gap between the economic earning power of white and black families. In the period under study, years 1969-1973, "real earning power" (earnings adjusted for inflation) of black families fell .2% while during the same period, real earning power of the median white family rose 6.1%.

Another way to look at the figures is to compare the earning power of black families as a percentage of that of whites: in 1969 it was 61%, in 1973 it had fallen to 58%.

But these statistics don't tell the whole story. Black wage earners invariably have to work harder for the wages they do earn, and have to spread the earnings among a larger number of dependents. While there is a ratio of almost two dependents per black wage earner, the ratio of dependents to wage earners amongst whites is less than 1.5 to 1.

BUTZ SCRAPS PLANS FOR AGRICULTURE DEPT. TOURING SONG-AND-PRAYER TENT SHOW

WASHINGTON, D.C. (LNS) – Secretary of Agriculture Earl Butz has scrapped his proposal to send a song-and-prayer tent show across the country, in an effort to convince Americans that prices aren't all that bad.

The tent show, originally dreamed up by Steven Lane, the Agriculture Department's new public relations chief, was to tour the nation with song, prayer, music and sketches of early pioneer life, illustrating that food in the U.S. is the best bargain in the world. In addition, said a memo to Butz, the circus would instill in the public "a greater confidence in the department," which would "strengthen the department's credibility."

But initial response was just the opposite. The department "has lost touch with reality," protested Representative Spark Matsunaga of Hawaii, noting that "they'll be a laughing stock."

And after claiming that the media had "characteristically" blown the idea out of proportion, Butz decided September 26 that the show would not go on.

CASE OF NOT-SO-PERFECT SWINDLER

NEW YORK (CUPI/LNS) – The Guru Maharaji-Ji, also known as the "Perfect Master," seems to run a less than perfect operation. A federal grand jury in New York has brought an indictment against the 16-year-old guru's manager, Michael Clegg, for conspiracy, fraud and sale of unregistered stock in the Pioneer Development Corporation.

Eight other persons were also listed in the indictment.

HAVING "SUFFERED ENOUGH" PRISONERS ASK PARDON

WALPOLE, Mass. (CPF/LNS) – This form letter was circulated around Walpole Prison after President Ford's pardon of Nixon early in September:

Dear Mr. President,

In the light of your recent decision to pardon Richard M. Nixon and after reflecting upon the reasons you put forth justifying your decision, I feel that I, too, deserve your consideration regarding a presidential pardon for past criminal acts.

Since I am already serving time in prison, I feel I have truly "suffered enough." And there are no grave questions of subverting the constitutional processes of this country for you to weigh, sir. I'm just an ordinary, garden-variety criminal.

Also, let me make perfectly clear that you'll have no problem with me insofar as a public admission of guilt is concerned. Upon receipt of my presidential pardon be assured I'll be more than willing to publicly admit to whatever you'd like.

Certain of your prompt consideration in this matter of equal treatment for all under the law, I remain your devoted constituent.

Respectfully,

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Saxbe Orders Study

On Why Feds Lose Trials

WASHINGTON (LNS) – Soon after the dismissal of the Wounded Knee charges against Russell Means and Dennis Banks because of governmental misconduct, Attorney General Saxbe announced that he has ordered a study to find out where the government went wrong in recent political trials it has lost.

"It is a study not designed to apportion blame but rather to teach us if there is a way to better handle these kinds of trials – I mean where the defendants assert a political cause as part of their trial," said Deputy Attorney General Laurence Silberman.

"If you look back over the years, the last four, five or six years, the Government record in those kinds of cases in terms of winning and losing is not good."

Notable cases in which the defendants, on trial for political reasons, have won acquittals or dismissals include the Gainesville 8, eight members of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War / Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) accused of planning to disrupt the 1968 Republican convention in Miami; Angela Davis; the Camden 8, charged with destruction of draft files; the Chicago 8; and the Harrisburg 8, accused of planning to kidnap Henry Kissinger. Charges have been dropped against other Wounded Knee and Custer defendants besides Banks and Means.

As a member of the National Lawyers Guild pointed out, the reasons why the government lost these cases is not so mysterious. "It's clear why they lost them . . . a lot of juries don't believe the cases. They knew they weren't going to get convictions from the time they started."

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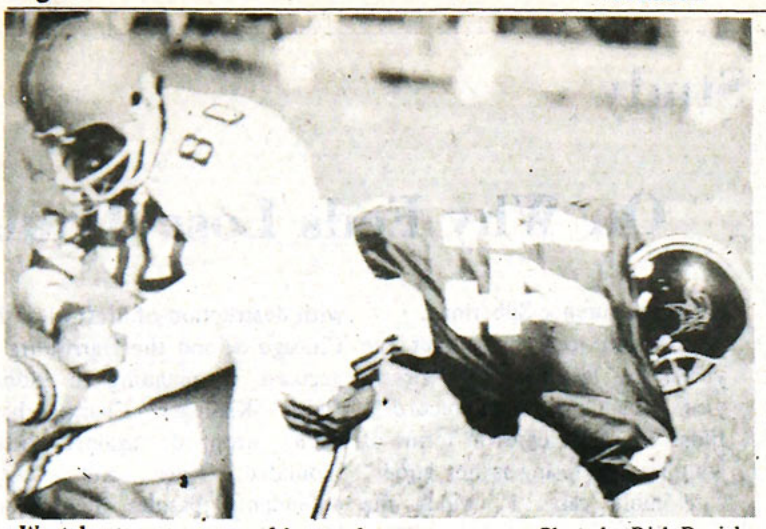


Westchester man meets his match. Photo by Rich Daniels

Morrison's Monarchs Show Pride

The Best of Schellenberg

The upset might have happened, but it didn't. The Monarchs, despite a 35-12 setback to Westchester Community College, played with such class and style that it makes me wonder before long this club football team will make itself heard outside the city limits of San Antonio.

Let me call your attention to the fact that this WAS indeed Westchester Community College, readers of mine, 6th ranked in the club football ratings. This same team outweighed our line by 20 pounds a player. And to even be more factual, this Westchester team was the same team that in two previous years had beat Saint Leo by the scores of 72 and 60 zip. So what if students were tabing bets on Leo and 50 points, who could blame them. But, as for the players and coaches, they were all set for the BIG upset.

Upsets do happen, of course. Purdue did it to Notre Dame, Vanderbilt did it to Florida, and surely Saint Leo could upset Westchester. And when the Monarchs did tie the score at six-all early in the first quarter on a Jimmy Mulligan to Joe Leone screen pass, things were pointing towards that goal, the BIG upset. Furthermore, I'd like to ask number 33 how many different colors of stars he saw, or perhaps asked number 21, 65, 11 if those Monarchs were the same ones who were defeated by a total of 132-0 in the past two years. I'll save them from embarrassment, hell no.

We lost. We'll admit that. But we'll also admit the fact that those Monarchs played a whale of a football game, 110 per cent. Jim, Dave, Rosey, Frank, it was one hell of an effort. It was an outstanding football game, one that, I too, wanted and waited for that big, big upset.

The game was over early in the fourth quarter when the Vikings had built up a 35-6, but here is where the Monarchs' pride, class, character, whatever you want to call it, shunned forth. Starting deep in their own territory, the Monarchs rallied for two consecutive first downs. Reserve quarterback Rich Stokes then found Charley Brown between two defenders and Brown ran the rest for a 38 yard touchdown with 50 seconds reamining in the game.

That, readers of mine, is Monarch pride.

(Next game is Saturday, Oct. 26, 3:00 on College Field against Newberry College.)

Photo by Rich Daniels

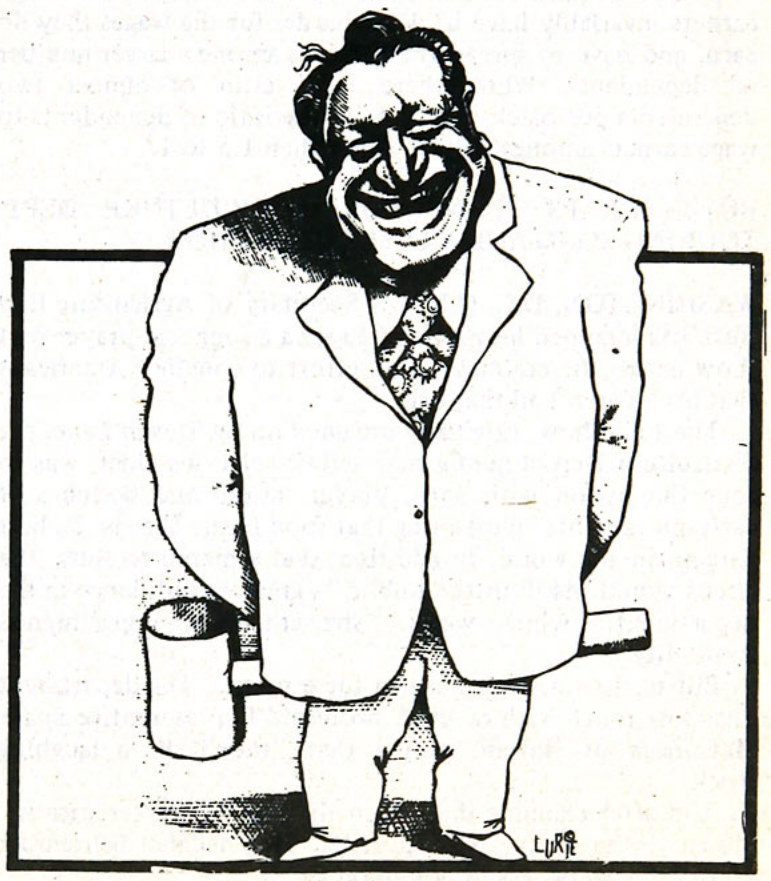
Joe Leone chopping through defensive giants of Westchester.

Kickers Win 3-0

The Saint Leo soccer team recorded its fourth straight soccer win and enhanced their chances for a bid to the NCAA soccer championship with a 3-0 victory over Florida Southern College at Lakeland. The victory pushed the "Miracle Monarchs" record to 4-1, the only loss coming at the hands of Flagler College of St. Augustine on opening day.

No miracle finish was needed this time, as Andy Crooks, the freshman sensation from Jacksonville, slammed home two goals and Peter Rampie scored the other from his halfback position to an easy Leo win. All of the goals were unassisted, which is very odd in soccer. Charlie Hanretta recorded the second straight shouout for Leo with another exceptionally played game. Last year All American Bob DiNucci played up to expectation, but the highlight of the afternoon was Tom Co er. Confined mostly to the bench this year, Co er replaced Larry Henriques, who was ejected from the game, and played a surprisingly good defensive game. It also increased the bench strength with which Coach Swart can maneuver.

The "Maracle Monarchs," coined because of the Monarchs' habit of last second victories, now have a chance to become NCAA-bound with victories over Eckerd College and Jacksonville University on College Field this week.



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